

## PACIFIC GATEWAY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT NETWORK YOUTH COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

| NAME             | BIOGRAPHY  |
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| Yolanda Dove     | Ms. Dove earned a Master of Science Degree in Public Administration from California State University Dominguez Hills. A dedicated state employee with experience at the Employment Development Department and the Department of Rehabilitation, Yolanda supervises counselors who work with at-risk and disabled youth to assist them in obtaining employment in three different programs at Long Beach Unified School District, California State University Long Beach, and Los Angeles County Office of Education.   |
| Dr. Tim Stowe    | As Senior Director of Secondary Schools for Torrance Unified School District, Dr. Tim Stowe serves as the line officer for assigned schools and district office functions such as establishing goals, objectives, and securing resources necessary for effective program operations. He supervises educational and administrative programs and coordinates community involvement at the district level and in assigned schools, keeping abreast of curriculum innovation and evolving research.  |
| Ben Espitia      | With over 25 years of management and clinical experience in nonprofit industries, Ben Espitia has been the Director of Workforce Development at Goodwill Serving the People of Southern Los Angeles County since July 2000. He holds a Masters Degree in Communication Disorders from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and a Bachelors Degree in Speech Pathology from the University of Texas at Austin. Mr. Espitia also serves on the boards of multiple civic and workforce organizations.   |
| Lisa Adams       | Ms. Adams is a Regional Human Resources Manager for Macy's Inc., a veteran having been with that company and its parent corporation for nearly 20 years. In her role of recruiting, placing and coaching employees for Macy's, Ms. Adams has a long history of working with and developing our emerging workforce.   |
| Sandra Annino    | Ms. Sandy Annino has worked in various capacities in the workforce development arena since 1987. Ms. Annino is currently the Business and Community Liaison for Long Beach Job Corps Center, where she has been employed for the past five years. In this capacity, Sandy provides positive exposure and educational outreach for the Long Beach Job Corps Center, connects employers with center staff and students for the purpose of securing internships and jobs, and coordinates the Community Relations Council and Industry Advisory Council.  |
| Bryant Daron     | A participant in the Youth Opportunity Center's Inspired Internship program, Bryant Daron works not only at the YOC but also as an intern at Mayor Bob Foster's office. In addition, Bryant participates in the Community Action Partnership League's Leadership Academy Mentoring Program (LAMP). Bryant is a student at Educational Partnership High School and expects to graduate in the next few months. His long-range goal is to be an investment banker.   |
| Richard Brunette | Currently the Recreation Services Manager for the city of Torrance Community Services Department, Mr. Brunette has worked in municipal recreation and parks for various cities in Southern California for over 30 years. Over that time he's been responsible for a wide variety of programs and facilities serving all ages and demographics. He has also had the opportunity to serve on multiple Boards, Committees and Commissions for City, School District, professional organization and community-based service groups. Richard has a Masters degree in Public Administration and a Bachelors degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies, both from Cal State University Long Beach.   |
| Kevin Blakley    | Currently an 11 <sup>th</sup> grader attending Jordan High School, Mr. Blakley is enrolled in the ACE Academy (Architecture, Construction and Engineering). Through ACE, a small learning community, he participates in smaller, specializing classes affording hands-on activities and exposure to career opportunities. This past summer, Kevin participated in an internship with the Newport Group, which manages the development of the Douglas Park Project where he worked side by side with the project manager to perform tasks like reading blueprints, filing and observing at the construction site. This experience not only taught Kevin how to read blue prints and exposure him to various companies, it stimulated his interest in becoming a Construction Manager. |